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Dear Sir:

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Applicant requests continued examination of the above-referenced application and entry of the previously filed Rule 116 Amendment. On July 3, 2002, the Examiner issued a Final Office Action, rejecting claims 1-32 and objecting to claims 3, 5, 7, 11, and 13. On December 27, 2002, Applicant submitted a 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 ("Rule 116") Amendment along with a three-month extension of time and a Notice of Appeal. On January 14, 2003, the Examiner issued an Advisory Action indicating that the Rule 116 Amendment would not be entered.

The Notice of Appeal was received by the Patent Office on January 3, 2003, and

applicant's Appeal Brief is due March 3, 2003. In lieu of applicant's Appeal Brief, this RCE and request to enter the Rule 116 Amendment filed December 27, 2002 is being submitted so that prosecution of the present application may continue without appeal. The Examiner recommended the filing of an RCE so as to permit consideration and entry of the Rule 116 Amendment filed December 27, 2002. (Advisory Action, page one, item 4; and page two, second and third paragraphs.)

The Examiner is requested to call either of the undersigned attorneys at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 488-7100 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner believe such telephone conference would be helpful.

Respectfully submitted,

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